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CONSOLIDATION CUTS EXPENSE BILL OF STATE

126 Positions, 6 Agents, Traveling Costs and Other Items Eliminated by Combining Departments

BUREAU ELIMINATED

Town Highway Body's Work to Be More Efficiently Handled—Had Been Bone of Contention for 10 Years

Auburn, Dec. 26.—A total of \$271,612 will be saved to the state through the elimination of 126 positions, six automobiles, traveling expenses, rents and miscellaneous costs, all wrought by consolidation of the state departments of highways, public buildings and public works under the new public works law, Colonel Frederick Stuart Greene, state superintendent of public works, told Governor Smith in a letter made public today. Colonel Greene added that instead of doing harm, the elimination of the "unnecessary" positions "will improve the morale and increase the efficiency of all three bureaus." The letter explained that the duties of the secretary of the bureau of highways will be performed by an assistant secretary of the public works department, whose title will be changed to chief clerk, bureau of highways. Duties of two general maintenance engineers in the bureau of highways will be performed by the nine division engineers of the public works department and their 69 county assistants. The duties of the assistant to the first deputy will be transferred to the commissioner of highways and his first deputy.

Town Highway Bureau Eliminated.

The third deputy and his entire staff, known as the bureau of town highways, will be eliminated, the letter said, as recommended as far back as 1913 by a board of consulting engineers after a survey of the highway department and as recommended or considered advisable by every highway commissioner since that time. Elimination previously was impossible during the war, it was explained. The highway supervisor, headquartered about the state, seven Indian reservation agents, two accountants and five employees in the Albany headquarters will be carried by the nine division engineers and their 69 county assistants. The divisional engineers, Colonel Greene declared, will approve as to necessity, location and design plans for all county and town roads for which the state contributes a share of the cost. The engineers will have the assistance of their aides in each county. Six men, trained in road building, will be retained in road construction, who will be in touch with road construction while it is in progress and will be in a position to see that the \$5,000,000 expended annually by the state for county and town road work is spent properly. This policy of supervision and control, Colonel Greene explained, is similar to methods adopted by the local government on roads built by the state under federal aid.

The eliminated bureau, the letter said, costs the state about \$60,000 annually. Its duties chiefly were to supervise the building and maintenance of town and county roads and audit accounts, but it was said responsibility of the official was indicated, duties overlapped and the extent of territory governed prevented its great efficiency.

MOTEL ROBBERY PROVES FAILURE

County Police Hold Four in Connection with Hampton Affair

Albany, Dec. 26.—Leonard Coughtry, of this city, was arrested tonight charged with being the third man implicated in the attempted robbery of the night clerk in the Hampton hotel annex this morning. Coughtry, a private from Elba's reformatory, where he was serving a term for third degree burglary and grand larceny in connection with a robbery at Schenectady, is believed by police to be the man who acted as lookout while Thomas Graham of Jersey City and Robert, N. J., and Peter Lauro of Albany, held up and robbed the hotel night clerk and engaged police in a gun fight which ended in the capture of the two men. Coughtry, police say, had one shot from his gun across the street and then fled.

Police arrested a fourth man shortly before midnight. He said he was Thomas Cahill of this city. Police say he was left in charge of an automobile near the hotel to await the return of Graham and Lauro and to take them from the city with the

two men.

THE ELECTIONS TO NAME CONSTITUENT IN BINGHAMTON

Albany, Dec. 26.—Governor Smith today ordered a special election to be held January 23, 1924, to fill the vacant seat in the 16th ward of the city of Binghamton.

The vote for the office in the re-

STATE BUDGET HAS 25 MILLION GAIN OVER LAST YEAR'S

State Service Allowance Shows Largest Increase—May Be Cut by Use of \$50,000,000 Bond Issue Funds

Albany, Dec. 26.—The departmental estimate of the cost of running New York state in the fiscal year 1924-25 reached a total of \$179,499,46, an increase of \$23,935,122.82 over the legislative appropriations and an increase of \$29,265,412.92 over the financial requests of a year ago, according to final tabulations of the legislative budget committee made public today.

The totals of the various parts of the budget as segregated by the budget committee follows:

Personal service: \$22,886,269.62, as compared with the current year, \$21,145,480.65.

Maintenance and operation: \$72,902,64, as compared with the current year, \$62,958,295.66.

State Legislative Approval.

Departmental: \$21,120,923.32, as compared with the current year, \$19,691,260.

Construction exclusive of highways: \$22,136,866.52, as compared with the current year, \$18,367,835.10.

Highway construction and maintenance: \$24,885,829, as compared with current year, \$23,336,199.

Debt service: \$11,141,366.14, as compared with current year, \$11,536,824.

The amount sought for construction work is to be used chiefly for institutions but it was explained that if the funds from the \$50,000,000 bond issue are made available, all of the budget amount will not be needed.

The budget now must go to the legislature for approval.

L. C. C. WILL HEAR RAIL ARGUMENTS

Week of January 7 Set Aside for Consolidation Discussion by All Interested

Washington, Dec. 26.—Time for argument with the Interstate Commerce commission on the subject of railroad consolidation was assigned today to

Council for railroads and interests concerned in the tentative plan for general consolidation of the roads of the United States into 18 or 19 great systems will be given opportunity at that time to discuss the evidence and showings which have been elicited by two full years of hearings before the commission and its examiners.

The first day's session will be given to consideration of issues between the New York Central and Pennsylvania railroads over the disposition to be made of the Philadelphia and Reading systems. The commission will hear Tuesday from Pennsylvania state interests and take up the New England situation, concluding discussion of that territory Wednesday when Boston city representatives will appear.

Wednesday's discussion also will deal with southern railroad questions.

BODY OF MAN WHO KILLED FIVE BURNED WITH COTTAGE

Damariscotta, Maine, Dec. 26.—County Attorney Weston M. Hilton said today that he would ask the state for assistance and would go to the limit in an effort to discover who dug up John Snow's body yesterday and burned it in the cottage in Jefferson where Snow killed three women and sent a bullet into his own body on Saturday after having killed another woman and her son. If the persons responsible for what he characterized as one of the most disgraceful things Lincoln county had ever known were identified, he said, they would be prosecuted.

Thus far, Mr. Hilton added, there was no definite clue to the persons concerned in the burning.

ENGINEERS COMMENDED.

Panama City, Fla., Dec. 26.—Louis Flick, a railroad engineer, was commended by road officials today for wrecking five freight cars at Indiana last night. Flick reported that he pulled the cars to a buckle by applying the brakes suddenly, in order to save the life of an aged woman who was walking along the ties in front of his train.

KNOX MAN, PINNED TO EARTH, SAVES OWN LIFE

Albany, Dec. 26.—Stanley Williams of Knox, near here, Alibi 7 county sealer of weights and measures, escaped being burned when his automobile overturned, pinned him beneath the steering wheel and burst into flames yesterday by throwing sand on the car and poking a handful of wet earth into the gasoline tank.

Williams' car skidded, went over a bank, overturned and pinned him beneath the steering wheel. The trip to wriggle free, but succeeded only in releasing his legs and wrists. The car was to be freed from gasoline flowing from the ruptured tank and Williams saved himself and his car by scraping up the sand with his hands and applying it to the tank.

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Rock Island Engineers' Settlement With Rock Island at Present Rate Does Not Affect Other Contracts

NO STRIKE PLANNED

Officials of Union Army Widely Circulated Rumors of Contemplated Walk Out if Demands Not Met

Cleveland, Dec. 26.—Negotiations for a 12 per cent wage increase for train service men will be continued despite the fact that the engineers settled with the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad company on the basis of last year's pay, leaders of the engineers, firemen and trainmen announced here tonight. They also declared emphatically that there is no foundation for widely circulated reports that the train service men are preparing to strike.

In confirming the announcement of the Rock Island management several days ago that its engineers had signed up for another year at last year's wages, Warren S. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, explained that no increase had been asked by the engineers on that system. The settlement applied only to the engineers, he said.

"That will have no bearing on our negotiations with the New York Central lines or any other road," Mr. Stone said, "but the railroad management are trying to use it."

"We will return to New York January 2 to resume conferences with the New York Central lines for wage increases where they were adjourned for the Christmas holiday."

Firemen Expect Stalemate.

"The engineers' brotherhood this year made no concerted wage demands and allowed the organization of each road to handle their wage question."

D. B. Robertson, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, who is handling the wage demands of his men jointly with Mr. Stone and the engineers, said that the firemen had not settled with the Rock Island.

"A statement to the effect that

the Rock Island firemen do not intend to strike for the old wage."

The trainmen and conductors, who are handling their wage negotiations with the various railroads together, will go back into conference with the New York Central system in New York shortly after the first of the year, W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, said.

NO WORD FROM MISSING DIXMUIDE

Search Proves Unavailing—Wireless Silent for Several Days

(By the Associated Press)

Paris, Dec. 26.—No word yet from the missing dirigible Dixmude, which may still be in the air, after many days, or may have effected a landing in some out-of-the-way place in the French protectorate of Tunis, in northern Africa, or in the Sahara desert. For several days now the wireless' wireless has been silent.

President Obregon is making headquarters at Irapuato, in Guanajuato, during the campaign, it was stated in the advices.

Lieutenant Wood did not reveal to Mr. Moore the names of his brokers or the details of his daily operations but occasionally he would give his position on certain stocks with the number of shares held and ask for advice. Mr. Moore declined to give out this information on the ground that it was of a confidential character.

Bough Standard Oil.

From other sources, however, details of Lieutenant Wood's operations came to light. Contrary to some reports, Lieutenant Wood's amazing success was not entirely the result of "pyramiding," that is the purchase of additional stocks with the paper profits of a previous purchase. The army officer's first "big killing" was in Standard Oil of New Jersey, which he was advised to buy in the fall of 1922 around \$138 a share and which rose almost perpendicularly to \$250.50 without a break of any consequence. Lieutenant Wood is reported to have admitted a profit of 60 points on that stock, but no information is available as to the extent of his original purchase.

Professional Wall Street operators, frankly confessed that Lieutenant Wood's success was extraordinary, especially when it is considered he is 6,000 miles from Wall Street.

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Another Seriously Wounded—Davy Killed in Duel — Negro Slave

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Otsego County News

OTSEGO COMMUNITY NEWS

Program for Out-Door Entertainment and Meeting on School Grounds, Oneida, Dec. 24.—There will be a community Christmas tree and musical entertainment of 2 o'clock noon, evening, December 24, on the High School grounds. Those taking part in the singing are requested to practice at home and to meet for practice Saturday evening in the basement of the Methodist church. The following is the program:

1—Adolescent Pledged.
2—Holly Night.
3—While Shepherds Watched.
4—It Came Upon the Midnight

Clear.
5—Little Town of Bethlehem.
6—Angels in the Realm of Glory.
7—Joy to the World, the Lord Has

Come.
8—Hark, the Herald Angels Sing.

Sells Store, Stores to Oneonta.

Arthur J. Niles has disposed of his stock of general merchandise and store fixtures to Albert R. Osborn of Oneonta. Mr. Osborn will take possession on January 1 and will continue the business at the old stand. We welcome Mr. Osborn to our midst. We learn that Mr. and Mrs. Niles intend to return to Oneonta to reside. We regret to loss Mr. Niles and wife from our midst, but our loss will be Oneonta's gain.

Christmas Visitors.

Among the out-of-town Christmas visitors we note: A. E. Robson of Binghamton, Mrs. F. L. Morgan and daughter Helen of Afton, Mr. and Mrs. David Reeves of Syracuse, Homer Shutes and wife of Binghamton, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Martin of Afton, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hafner of Schenectady, E. and Mrs. Merritt Gifford of Albany, Mr. and Mrs. Grove Heckler and children of Edmeston, Miss Ruth Stanton of Binghamton, Charles Hull of Rochester, Miss Margaret Carr of Binghamton.

Meetings.

The annual meeting of Otego chapter, D. E. S., will be held on Friday evening, December 24, at 8 o'clock. The election of officers for the ensuing year will take place at this meeting, after which refreshments will be served. As this will be the last regular meeting of the lodge for the year, a full attendance is desired.

The home bureau will hold an all day meeting on Wednesday, January 1, 1924, in Grange hall. Please be there promptly at 10 o'clock. Each member bring plate, cup, fork and spoon, and something for a covered dish luncheon.

A Delightful Entertainment.

"Santa Claus' Greetings," a cantata, was given by the Sunday School class of the Methodist church, on Christmas eve. An inaugural march by Miss Barbara Sawyer was the opening number of the program. This was followed by a welcome song by the children. The third number was a well rendered solo, "Signorina," by Margaret Potter, dressed as a Peruvian girl.

"The Waif of the City" was most

"Indeed We Do," followed, Doris Senior taking the solo part. The "People of Drowsy Land" was prettily acted out, Edna Hotaling singing in a clear voice the solo, "Nine Little Fairies." Betty Vohn, Edith Dorothy Schaar, Helen Maryland, Marjorie and Florence Hyatt, Marjorie and Barbara Preston and Mildred Burdette, made a charming picture in the part, "Santa Claus is on His Way." Kenneth Wilbur next appeared on the platform as Santa's servant.

The Star of Bethlehem," an old song, was rendered by the Misses Ida, Helen Hyatt and Elsie Jubilina in old fashioned costumes. Charles Volk, Jr., gave the "Lesson in Driving," which was well acted out and sung. Leonard Hawkins in a bright red costume recited "I'm Santa's Reindeer Herder." John Allen as a Mexican general sang "Mexico" and the boys' class ga-ga drill, "Ende-Same's March." Richard Hawkins amused the audience with his song, "My Christmas Present." Nina Thorpe sang well, "Grandmother Says."

Harry Allen, clad in a handsome red and white outfit, impersonated Santa Claus, and gifts were then distributed to the school. All the songs from memory, which added to the effectiveness of the program. Much credit is due Rev. and Mrs. Vohn and Mrs. E. E. Gifford, who with their assistants, Mrs. Harry Hawley and Miss Ethel Wood, drilled the children. The Sunday school may well feel satisfied with their efforts. Miss Barbara Sawyer presided at the piano during the performance.

WEDDING AT HARTWICK.

Miss Gertrude F. Staudt and Kenneth B. Maych, married Wednesday.

Hartwick, Dec. 24.—A very pretty little wedding was quietly solemnized on Wednesday, December 24, at 12 o'clock when Gertrude Elsie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Spaulding, became the wife of Kenneth B. Maych, only son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Maych of Schuyler Lake. Mrs. F. J. Spaulding played Lohengrin's wedding march and Rev. Beauford of Schuyler Lake performed the ceremony, the double ring service being used. Byron Fuller of Hartwick acted as best man and Miss Bertha Spaulding, sister of the bride, as bridesmaid. The bride was beaded blue satin matinee and carried white gloves; the bridegroom was grey silk top and carried pink carnations. The guests included the immediate families of the contracting parties and some from Vestonville, Ilion, Schuyler Lake and Hartwick.

The house was tastefully decorated in colors scheme of green and white. After refreshments a dinner was served. After a short wedding trip they will be at home at Schuyler Lake, where the groom is employed as editor in the Oneonta Daily Leader.

Miss Maych is one of the popular young ladies of our town, and has a host of friends, and has been an active member of the Methodist Church during the past year, when her grandmother was President of the High school.

Deaths.

Miss Wilson was born June 18,

1895, in Oneonta, and died

Wednesday morning, December 24,

1923, at the age of 28 years.

She was the daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Charles E. Wilson, who

resided at Oneonta.

Surviving are her parents, Mr.

and Mrs. Charles E. Wilson, and

her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Charles

Spaulding, of Oneonta.

Services were held at the

Methodist Church.

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They Start Young



Over in Soviet Russia they begin training soldiers early in life. Look at these youngsters, mere boys. They are put through the same rig course of training as older soldiers. Photo made near Charkow during a demonstration in which 100,000 soldiers participated.

DEATHS.

Mrs. Caroline Moore.

Mrs. Caroline Moore, mother of Ed. R. Moore, former manager of the Oneonta theatre but now manager of two theatres in York, Pa., died at the home of a daughter in Pittsburgh, Pa., Christmas eve, at the advanced age of 81 years. The obsequies are to be held at Pittsburgh this afternoon.

Mrs. Moore resided with her son here for about one year and is known to many as a lovable woman of generous, kindly traits. All friends of both herself and son will extend sincere sympathy to the surviving children. In addition to the son so well known here, she leaves two daughters in Pittsburgh, two sons in Pittsburgh, a son in Buffalo and two daughters in Altoona, Pa.

Freeman Dunbar.

Freeman Dunbar, a native of Oneonta and a man well known in the Otego valley, died quite suddenly at the home of W. E. Bailey, Elm street, this city, where he was a guest, on Tuesday shortly after lunch, aged 65 years. He had been in fair health of late but earlier in the day had consulted with a physician complaining of feeling poorly. The funeral services will be held at his home with his brother, Vincent Dunbar, in Laurens, on Friday at 1 o'clock. Interment will be made in the Cook cemetery near West Oneonta.

The deceased was a son of the late David and Lydia Dunbar and was born in Laurens and resided there all his early life. Later he for a considerable portion of his active life made his home at Corning and in Oneonta, except. His wife, who was a widow at that time, died about two years ago, since which time he had made his home with his brother in Laurens, although at times being employed in this city. The brother and son of that widow are the only near surviving relatives.

Some people are good, one occasionally finds a cook who can make perfect dumplings without Baker's Certified Flavering extract. Sold by all good grocers.

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Mr. E. Baker, practical bone-setter, at the Windsor, Oneonta, January 1; National hotel, Norwich, January 2; advert 11mo

MARRIAGES

Ferris-Cook.

Harold Fisher Ferris and Miss Celeste Marion Cook were quietly united in marriage at the First Presbyterian manse at 9:30 o'clock on Christmas morning in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Reed J. Ferris of Otego, parents of the groom, Dr. J. C. Russell, pastor of the bride, officiated.

After a brief honeymoon the young people will take up their residence at the family home of the bride at 31 East End avenue.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Ferris have many friends who will extend sincere congratulations and best wishes.

Mrs. Ferris is a graduate of the Oneonta High school and a member of the faculty of that school, being in charge of the commercial department. She is an estimable young woman of varied accomplishments and is not only well known but widely liked.

Mr. Ferris is a popular young man and has for some time been a valued employee at the automobile salesroom of Fred N. VanWie.

Funeral of Mrs. Haywood Knapp.

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Haywood Knapp, who died on Sunday at Newfane, Vt., and whose body was brought to Oneonta early this week, were held yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at the home of her son, Fred W. Knapp, 93 Elm street.

The service was conducted by Dr. J. W. Flynn of the First Methodist Episcopal church and interment was in the Ouleout Valley cemetery at Franklin in which township she long resided. The bearers were her three sons, Fred and Parker Knapp of Oneonta, and Willard of Newfane, and her son-in-law, Samuel Hall of Unadilla.

There was a good attendance at the services, among those present from out of the city being Samuel Hall and family of Unadilla, Mrs. Orie Jackson and William Morey of Wells

mon, Charles Morey and family of Millford Center, Willard and Emma Knapp of Newfane, Vt., Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Whipple of Delhi, Mrs. William Crandall of North Kortright and Mrs. Fred Beach of Davenport.

The ever-increasing sales of Juniper Brand margarine are the result of cause and effect. The pleased customer naturally continues buying what is good, and she generally tells her neighbor.

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Howard H. Walling spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Howard J. Gill.

Miss Adah Waters left Tuesday for New York city, where she will spend the balance of the week.

Miss Florence M. VanBumle of 11 Liberty street is spending the Christmas vacation in Binghamton.

Mrs. Elizabeth Burdick of Maryland spent Christmas with friends in Oneonta, returning home Wednesday.

Miss Pauline Dodge of 2 Chestnut avenue is spending the balance of the week with friends in Worcester.

Mrs. Flora Clark of 11 Grove street, who had been visiting friends in Cobleskill, returned home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Tuller of Sidney were guests on Christmas day of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Tuller of 4 Harvey street.

Miss Marguerite Lane of Stony Point is spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Knapp, 62 Dietz street.

R. J. Warren left yesterday for Utica on business with the Ford Motor company's distributor at that point.

Mrs. Lulu Root of Binghamton returned home last evening after spending Christmas with Mrs. W. Utter, 121 Main street.

Lyman J. Fisher of New York city, who had been spending Christmas with his family in Oneonta, returned home yesterday.

Partley Casey of Deposit spent the past week as a guest of James Perry, 29 Luther street, returning home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Curtis and son, Lewis, leave this morning for New York city, where for about a week they will be guests of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Skiff and son, Lorne, of Walton, were Christmas guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Skiff of Oneonta.

Mrs. Mary Wilber of 4 Draper street left yesterday for East Worcester, where she is guest for several days of her sister, Mrs. Martha Lamb.

T. Percy Hughson, a student of New York university, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Green, on Elm street.

The Mimes Little and Lena Sewell of Unadilla were guests of their sister, Mrs. J. G. Hoyt, over Christmas, returning home Wednesday morning.

Miss Luella Huntington of the faculty of the Academy Street school is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. G. C. Rogers, at West Edmeston.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Traber of Sewanee spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Charles R. Marsh of this city, returning home yesterday.

Miss Caroline Jenkins and Miss Anne Scott of the Normal school faculty left Wednesday morning for a few days outing in New York city.

Mrs. F. H. Franchot, son Will, and daughter, Irene, of Brooklyn, are guests of the former's sister, Mrs. Charles F. Broemer, 7 Division street.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buntin and Irving Keator of Kingston spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Howard J. Hill of 11 Liberty street, of this city.

Mary and Charles Owens of Waterville spent Christmas with their grandmother, Mrs. Mary Stapleton, of Hish street, returning home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Paul of Elmira were in Oneonta yesterday on their way home from Davenport, where they had been spending Christmas.

Walter Brosmer returns to New York city this morning after spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Broemer, 7 Division street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hotting of Bloomingdale have been spending a few days with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hotting, 46 Main street.

Merrill S. Roberts, 2nd, was in the city yesterday on his way to Mechanicville after spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Roberts, in East Meredith.

Mr. and Mrs. William Blencoe of Davenport Center, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Terrell and son of Harpersfield were entertained Christmas by Mr. and Mrs. David Terrell.

Mrs. Fred Dean and Miss Benah Langworth of Masonville were guests over Christmas of the former's daughter, Mrs. L. E. Lockwood, 224 River street, returning home yesterday.

Crosby Seybold of Columbus, Ohio, and Miss Helen Seybold, an instructor in the schools of Glen Ridge, N. J., are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Seybold.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Walling of Binghamton returned home last night after spending Christmas at the home of Mr. Walling's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walling, 554 River street.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Baker of Westwood, N. J., spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Baker, 20 Academy street, and Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Cook, 5 Watkins avenue. Mr. Baker returned home last

night. Mrs. Baker remaining a week longer.

Mr. H. A. Guest of Schenectady is spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Loveland of this city. Mr. Guest will join her in Oneonta on Saturday and remain over the New Year.

Claude Gregory returned last evening from New York, where he, accompanied by his wife, who had been spending the past month visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oskar Miller, at St. Petersburg, Fla.

Mrs. Elizabeth Moon has recently returned to this city after making her home in East Meredith for some time, and is living at 115 River street. Mrs. Moon has many friends in the city who will be glad to have her as a neighbor again.

Mr. and Mr. John J. Vianello and infant of Brooklyn are guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Broemer, 7 Division street. Mr. Flanagan returned home yesterday morning but Mrs. Flanagan will make a more extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Schell of 86 Maple street entertained as Christmas guests their son, Leroy S. Schell, Jr., of Pittsfield, Mass., Miss Julianne S. Schell, social welfare worker of Visac Silk Mills, and Miss Doris Copeland, both of Ithaca, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Day had as their guests on Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Frink of Norwich and their guests Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen and daughter, Margaret of Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Frink is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Day.

Editor and Mrs. William M. Dietz of Gilbertsville were in Oneonta Wednesday, accompanying them far on their homeward journey, their son, Attorney Karl S. Dietz, and wife, of New York city, who had been spending Christmas at the homestead.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Dennis of 180 Spruce street had as their guests for Christmas Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Bouton, son, Lynn, and Mrs. Martha Bouton of Highfield Springs, also Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Beams and children and Mrs. Nellie Hopkins of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dewitt Clarke and daughter, Mildred Irene, of Little Valley, Cattaraugus county, were guests over Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. VanZandt of Cherry street and Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis W. Clarke of 9 Birch street. They moved to Oneonta from their home. Mr. Clarke has charge of the telephone exchange in that territory.

Mrs. Viola Parris of 99 Chestnut street had as her guests on Christmas day: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holmes and three children of West Davenport and Grover Parris of this city. Among the good things for dinner was a box of fruit containing grapefruit, oranges, tangerines and congo nuts sent them by Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Metcalf, who are spending the winter in Florida.

Holiday guests of City Chamberlain and Mrs. Charles H. Bowdoin are Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Grouse and daughter of Toronto, Canada; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Edwards of Jersey City, N. J.; and Miss Ada M. Whyte of Madison, N. J. The ladies named being sisters of Mrs. Bowdoin. Mr. Edwards returned yesterday to his home to care for business duties, but other members of the family party remained for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Huntz Grant of Hobart were guests Christmas day at the home of their son, Attorney Donald H. Grant, 12 Gardner place.

Mr. George E. Johnson, state commissioner of elections in Delaware county at Delhi yesterday, but Mrs. Grant remained for a longer visit with the family of her son. Other guests at the Grant home here for the Christmas dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schemerhorn of the Delaware House at Stamford.

Miss WESTERVELT WEDS

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Westerfelt bride of E. G. Hilliges.

Miss Louise Ruth Westerfelt and Elwyn Guy Hilliges were married at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage, Los Angeles, Cal., Sunday night by Rev. C. O. Kimball. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. William Watkins, former Binghamton friends of the bridegroom. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Westerfelt of Franklin street. She left New York Wednesday and immediately upon her arrival at Los Angeles Sunday was married. Mr. Hilliges is a teacher in Los Angeles—(Northampton, Mass.) Gazette.

The bride is well remembered here, the daughter of a former esteemed secretary of the Oneonta Chamber of Commerce. Her many friends in this city will extend hearty congratulations and felicitations.

Old Folks Elect.

At a regular meeting of Centennial Lodge held in L. O. F. temple Tuesday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing six months:

No. 1 Grand—Charles Emberson. Vice Grand—Jesse Vanderveer. Recording secretary—George Gibby. Financial secretary—Robert Shaul. Treasurer—Clifford Beach. Janitor—Fred Wood. Organist—Fred Murdoch.

The Lodge of Oneonta, L. O. F. Lodge.

Miss W. B. A. O. T. M. Installation.

At the regular meeting of the W. B. A. O. T. M. held last evening in the L. O. F. hall the plans were completed for the installation of the new officers of the society who will be inducted into office at the meeting to be held on January 9. A supper will be served following the installation.

All members and their friends are invited to be present at the installation ceremonies.

Special Match at Elks' Alley.

On Friday evening at 8 o'clock the first of a series of three bowling matches between two special teams will be rolled at the Elks' club alleys. The men who make up the teams are guaranteed a sum of some excellent bowling.

The teams will be composed as follows: McKean, Westcott, Knickerbocker and Farmer, and Bowditch, Thomas, Ceperly, Graves and Leet.

New Barber Shop in Schenectady.

On Monday, December 26, I will open an up-to-date barber shop in Hotel Potter, Schenectady, and will be prepared to do all kinds of work pertaining to the profession. A share of your patronage is solicited. Harold H. Baker.

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Bringing Out the Bodies



When the Capitol Hotel, Houston, Tex., was swept by fire recently, scores of the guests were trapped and burned to death. Many were hurt. Photo shows firemen removing one of the victims.

OTSEGO COUNTY NEWS

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Mary Scott on Arch street for the past month, returned home Wednesday.

Holiday Visitors.

Many holiday visitors have been in town, some to remain over the New Year period. A guest at the Trout home for Christmas was Fred Matthews of Oneonta.—Miss Lillian Chase of Albany was with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Chase on South Side.—Miss Velma Boardman and Perry Boardman from Cleveland, Ohio, were at the E. E. Boardman home.—Miss Alena Becker of Catskill and Miss Mildred Clark from Poughkeepsie are at their respective homes.—Miss Helen Theyson has returned to her home in Brooklyn.—Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wild and daughter, Barbara of Schenectady, have been at the Bernard family gathering.—Leroy Gardner of Chicago spent two days in town with his wife at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Stanley Chase. Mrs. Gardner left for a visit to New York city Friday.—The Misses Lena and Alice Swackhamer are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Swackhamer.—Miss Vera Strall of Afton is visiting her father, Orson Strall.—Miss Mildred Strall is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. May Barker on Division street.—Doris Daniels was at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Bennett, on upper Main street, over Christmas.

CHRISTMAS WEEK IN WORCESTER

"Twelve Old Maids to be Presented December 28.

Worcester, Dec. 26.—The play, "Twelve Old Maids," which was given December 12, by the ladies of the Methodist Episcopal church, with such great success, will be repeated by special request December 28, at the Witting Opera house.

Personals.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crippen left Saturday morning for Schenectady, where they will visit Mrs. Crippen's brother, Lester Allen.—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilbur and daughter of Seward spent Christmas with the former's mother, Mrs. Hester Wilbur.—Elsworth Langdon of Schenectady was a Christmas guest of his mother, Mrs. Helen Langdon.—Orlin Pierce of Warsaw is enjoying a month's vacation at the home of his father, C. O.



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Haddell of Monticello is a regular guest at her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Haddell.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Campbell were shoppers in Albany Saturday.

TIDINGS FROM WESTFIELD

Westfield, Dec. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Holmes are visiting their daughter, Mrs. R. T. Bennett, of Springfield, Mass.—Miss Maude McRorie of New York is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McRorie.—Leon Roberts' family expect soon to occupy their house which is being remodeled for them.—Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Huntington are visiting relatives in Utica.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Melton of Waterford are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McRorie and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Murphy.—Miss Emma Roseboom, who is connected with the Home Bureau of Tompkins county, is spending two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Charles Roseboom.—The Christmas service Monday evening at the Baptist church was well attended. The music was excellent, the recitation well rendered and there was a fine, large tree with presents for all.

MIDDLEFIELD MATTERS

Middlefield, Dec. 26.—The annual business meeting of the Baptist society will be held in the church parlor Wednesday evening, January 2.—Miss Marjorie Allen of Irvington, N. J., is spending the holiday vacation at her home here.—Mrs. Phoebe Jones is with Mrs. Amy Brown, who is confined to her bed at this writing.—Mrs. W. H. Wheeler and family left Sunday for Binghamton where they will spend Christmas, and Miss Ford of Scotia was at the Allen home for Christmas.

COOPERSTOWN JUNCTION

Cooperstown Junction, Dec. 26.—Paul County of Washington, D. C., has been visiting his brother, Frank, for the past few days.—Wm. Lamont has gone to the Fox hospital for an operation on his eye. His store here will be open from 4 to 5 p. m.—Mrs. Eli Leib entertained her sister from Maryland Monday.—Mrs. Glenn Silberman has returned from the Parashall hospital much improved in health.—Mrs. A. D. Osterhout was shopping in Oneonta Monday.—Charles Howe has finished his carpenter job at Maryville for Harry Stevens.

Dixie Boys at Milford

Milford, Dec. 26.—The Dixie Boys of Milford, a high class minstrel company, will give an entertainment in Jewell's hall Friday and Saturday evenings of this week. Admission is 15, 25 and 35 cents. The entertainment is for the benefit of the Niskayuna tent, K. O. T. M. All should attend.

Delaware County News

HOWARD COWAN BREAKS ARM

Engine Back Fires as He Attempts to Crank Automobile—Several on 46th St.—Delaware News of Today

Hobart, Dec. 26.—Howard Cowan, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Hector W. Cowan, had the misfortune to fracture his right arm Tuesday afternoon when the engine backfired as he attempted to crank an automobile. Dr. West was called and reduced the fracture.

Among Those Sick.

Mrs. W. E. King is ill with an attack of neuritis.

Miss Mary E. Hoyt, a teacher at Nyack, was called home by the serious illness of her father, C. A. Hoyt. A. S. Carroll's condition is reported as slightly improved.

Charles Hoyt shows considerable improvement.

L. G. Hanford is also on the sick list.

Robert Personals.

Rev. W. N. Hawkins and family spent Christmas at Lake Delaware, guests of Rev. and Mrs. Edglow.—Attorney and Mrs. Donald Grant and son of Oneonta were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hume Grant Christmas day. Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Hart of Oneonta were guests Christmas day of Mr. and Mrs. George Gallup.—Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Coddington and daughters, Margaret and Helen of Saugerties, Miss Caroline Coddington of Bayonne, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Chamberlin and daughter, Florence of Hunter, were guests Christmas day of Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Woodworth.—The Misses Carrie and Mollie Han-

ford spent Christmas day at the home of M. N. Fribee, Bloomville.—Mr. and Mrs. E. Scott Rose and daughters, Marion and Marjorie, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. King at Cornell, and Frank Lyon, employed by the Central Hudson Gas and Electric corporation at Rifton, was spending the Christmas season with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Lyon.—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foote and Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Harrison and son, Rodney, are guests of relatives in New York city.—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shefield and family of Ridgewood, New Jersey, are here to enjoy the holiday season with relatives.—Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Platt and daughters, Edith and Betty, returned Wednesday from Binghamton, where they visited relatives for the Christmas season.—Santa Claus was especially good to Hobart folks this year, even sending a Christmas gift from the North Pole to "the hello girls." Thanks and a Happy New Year.

NEWS ABOUT STAMFORD

Francis Fallow Dies From Injuries—Carpenter Injured by Fall—Mrs. J. G. Patterson and Mrs. Lamont Warner Die.

Stamford, Dec. 26.—Francis Fallow, who, while insane, attempted suicide, by jumping from a second story window of the Pierce building on Railroad avenue, Sunday, receiving a fractured hip and other injuries, died from the injuries received Tuesday afternoon at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Wilson.

Injured by Fall of Scaffold.

Last Friday while Eugene Stryker, a carpenter, was engaged building a new garage for George Hitchcock, Beaver street, the scaffold broke and Mr. Stryker fell a distance of about 25 feet. No bones were broken but he suffered painful bruises by the fall and from a blow from a piece of falling timber.

Death of Mrs. J. G. Patterson.

The wife of Rev. J. G. Patterson died at her home in Hamilton, December 21. Rev. Patterson was a former pastor of the Stamford Baptist church and he was the architect and supervised the erection of the parsonage which adjoins the Stamford church.

Death of Mrs. Lamont Warner.

The wife of Rev. J. G. Patterson died at her home in Brooklyn and remains were brought to Stamford Tuesday for interment in Stamford cemetery.

Mr. Warner is a native of Stamford and a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Warner.

Rev. Fallow's Dance Thursday Night.

The Stamford fire department will hold their annual dance at the Opera house tomorrow evening. Music will be furnished by Mendy's Five-piece orchestra. Supper starts at 6 p. m. Dancing from 9 to 11. Admission and supper, adults 50 cents, children 25. Dancing \$1 per couple. Everybody is invited and the best plan an enjoyable time for all who attend.

Open Real Estate Office.

J. G. Jenkins, who for the past year has represented the Stewart Farm agency in this section, has resigned his position and opened a real estate office in Stamford for the sale of all kinds of real estate.

Personals.

The new house on Liberty street has been sold to Cohen parties who will take possession in the spring.

Mr. Johnson, the baker, has now

been placed and that evening a delightful program was given, consisting of a Christmas pageant and singing and recitations by the smaller children. The choir also sang several beautiful selections. Credit for the success of the undertaking is largely due to F. P. VanDusen, the faithful superintendent of the Sabbath school, to Mrs. J. H. Henderson and Mrs. H. W. Harper, who conducted the pageant, and to Mr. George R. Davis, whose untiring efforts in connection with the various musical parts of the program were pleasingly reflected. Most enjoyable, too, was the pantomime, "Little Town of Bethlehem," given by the Davenport girls, in costume, while Miss Velma McCracken effectively rendered the song. The effort was truly appreciated here.

The expenses of the Methodist Episcopal church were held Monday evening and the church was filled with friends. The tree and decorations were fine and the speaking and singing was much enjoyed. A collection was taken for the benefit of the recent Japanese earthquake sufferers.

Holiday Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hubbard entertained on Christmas day the following families: Robert Henderson, M. C. Hubbard, R. L. McArthur, H. T. Hubbard and Clarence Hubbard.—Mr. and Mrs. Noah Hubbell of Roseboom had a guest on Christmas day Bertrand Roberts, son Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Graig, Master Walter, Jr., from this place and Miss Cooper from Frankfort.

Birth.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sperry December 21, a daughter, Helen Christine.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATED.

The Joyous Occasion More Joyful Than Ever.

North Kortright, Dec. 25.—The Christmas season has been of more than ordinary interest here. Sunday morning Rev. R. H. Irwin preached a fitting and forceful sermon from the text, "For the son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

Monday the church was artistically decorated and two Christmas

fresh and fragrant from the roaster. Kilpatrick coffee stands supreme. Order a pound from your grocer to-day.

FROM EAST MEREDITH.

East Meredith, Dec. 25.—Ralph Hanford is home for a two weeks' vacation.—Charles Haynes was the guest of friends in Syracuse the first of the week.—Ferris Hanford was home from Sunday until Wednesday morning from his work in Albany.—There were several dinner parties in town Christmas.—The Hetherington family were guests of their brother, George and wife, in Oneonta Christmas day.—William Stewart of Delhi is visiting his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith.—Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith have as their guests his sister and her husband from High Falls.

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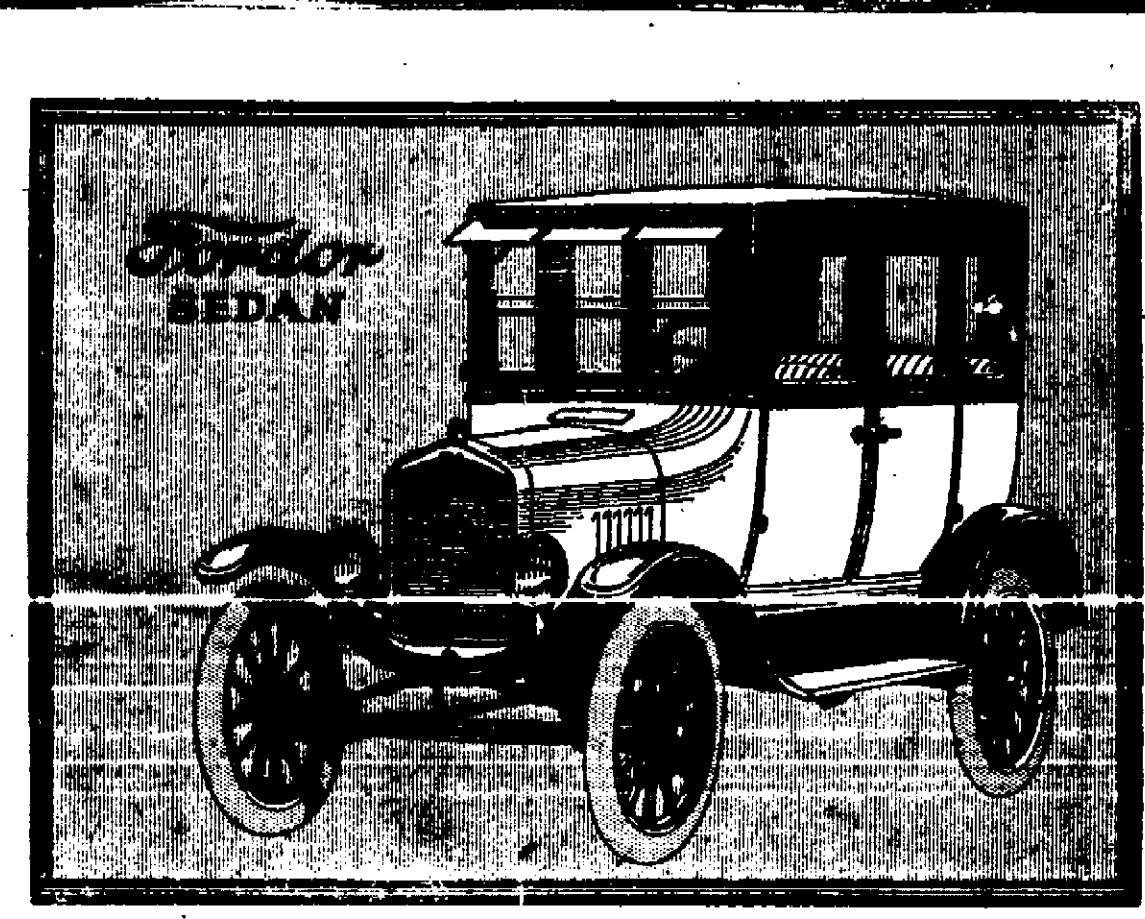
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